a database for storing said model; and

simulating means for simulating said [mdoel] <u>model</u>;

wherein said simulating means [calculates] <u>determines</u> start and end of each kanban

stage in said kanban system and the number of cards for each kanban stage based on said

model.

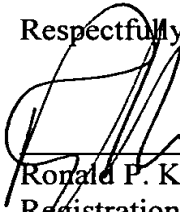(Please add the following new claims:)

2.   (New) The system of claim 1, wherein said kanban system is a function of processes.

3.   (New) The system of claim 1 further comprising means for manually modifying said

start and end of each kanban stage and said number of card for each kanban stage.

REMARKS

This amendment is to correct the specification for consistency and to add dependent

claims. No new matter has been added. Entry of the amendment is requested.

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